Consular Warden Message United States Embassy Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo September 7, 2010

The United States Embassy in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo wishes to remind U.S. citizens living in the DRC of the continuing and sporadic violence occurring in the country, especially in North Kivu, South Kivu and Orientale provinces, as well as the northern part of Katanga province.

On September 1, 2010, international aid workers, including several U.S. citizens, were rescued after fleeing into the forest when their private plane came under fire at a landing strip near Walikale in North Kivu province. The aid workers were part of the International Medical Corps team assisting rape survivors following the attacks in villages in this area.

For your information and convenience, the April 21, 2010 Travel Warning for DRC (http://www.travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/tw/tw_2198.html) and a June 25, 2010 Embassy Warden Message on the 50th anniversary of independence Day are attached to this electronic message.

U.S. citizens are reminded to register with the Consular Section of the U.S. Embassy in Kinshasa. Registration may be completed online at the <u>Department of State's travel registration</u> website. By registering, U.S. citizens make it easier for the Embassies to contact them in case of emergency.

The U.S. Embassy in Kinshasa is located at 310 Avenue des Aviateurs, tel. 243-081-225-5872 (Do not dial the zero when calling from abroad). The Consular Section of the Embassy may be reached at tel. 243-081-884-6859 or 243-081-884-4609; fax 243-081-301-0560 (Do not dial the first zero when calling from abroad). For after-hours emergencies please call 081-556-0151.